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—AT THE—
BRANDON REPOSITORY,
Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1888,
Horses, Horned Stock, Pigs,
Poultry, Rolling Stock and
Implements of every
description.

Those who take place only on the third Wednesday
of every month.
Some of the best Farms in the neighborhood
for Sale, cheap, and on reasonable terms.
CHAS. FILLING, Auctioneer.
A good good Working organ and Harp will
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Preserving Peas by the pail at Cassels, if.

Preserving Plums, Peas, Grapes, Peaches,
etc., will arrive every week from Ontario to
G. & D. Cassels, leave your order and get
them delivered fresh.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Adams were visiting in
Virden last week.

Mr. Gregory, of the Souris mill, and family
went east on Friday.

Leitch Bros., Oak Lake, have their new
mill in operation.

Fifty thousand persons attended the Toronto
fair in one day last week.

The Rev. Mr. Robinson, of Souris City, died
of typhoid fever Thursday.

Upwards of 40 persons for Lester Kaye's
colony came up on Friday's train.

Mr. Ferguson, of the Grand Pacific hotel,
in the Portage, is in trouble over selling
whiskey to Indians.

Mr. Thompson was the first buyer to get
hold of new wheat this season, and he paid
80 cts. for it.

Jacob Holston, near Glenora, committed
suicide the other day by cutting his throat with
a jack-knife.

Mr. Thos. Smith, of Alexander, sold his
farm of 150 acres 1 mile from the depot, to a
Mr. Lundy from Ontario the other day.

Mr. R.S. White, son of the late Hon. Thos.
White, is the Conservative candidate in Carleton
place, Ont., for the Commons and he will be
elected.

A board will meet in Toronto on the 1st
of October for the grading of North West wheat.
Much will depend upon the sampler to be
fore on that occasion.

Mr. Magee, late drug clerk with Mr. Rose,
was in the city a few days last week. He is
likely to take a position under Dr. Cold in the
military force, Winnipeg.

Two gentlemen named Hyndman relations
of Squire Doran, have arrived and are settling
in 9-10. It is needless to say they are like the
square good square Conservatives.

One hundred and fifty Indians at a war
dance broke up church congregations at Oak
Lake recently. The outside attractions ap-
peared more congenial to the tastes of would
be worshippers than those within.

Mr. W. F. Peters, C.P.R. agent here, has
been successful in securing the second prize
for the best collection of farm products sent
to the land Dept. of the Co. He was head
slightly by the Calgary agent.

We would advise all local dealers to be
careful to have no whiskey or other alcoholic
liquors on sale without a license. The profit
to be made in that way is but little, the risk
a dangerous one, and the penalty heavy. J. R.
Foster is on the sharp look out.

It is reported Thompson, Colville & Co.,
of Winnipeg, are going to open up a whole-
sale grocery in this city with D. G. Stewart as
manager. They will all come to it by and by;
if the mountain will not move to Mahomet,
Mahomet must go to the mountain.

Capt. Wastie had quite an adventure with I.
and C. O'Donoghue, two Virden billiards, on
Thursday evening. They tackled him for a
fight, but after a few rounds the services of
the police became necessary, and the offenders
were locked up till the next day and fined \$15
each for drunkenness and assault.

"Billy" Smith, of the Portage, got into an
altercation with a hired man named Hanna,
the other day, and received the worst of it.
Billy don't find his shot gun at the man, but
instantly failed to hit him. Hanna had an in-
formation, and Smith is now held on \$2,000
bail; Smith was always the makings of a bad
man.

Lindsay Post: "We had the pleasure of
a call and long conversation with Mr. Thos.
Lockhart, of Brandon, formerly of Fencible,
about Manitoba and the Northwest, concern-
ing which he gives an encouraging account.
Mr. Lockhart is looking hale and hearty, and
scarcely any older than when he left here
eight years ago. Mr. Lockhart gave a very
interesting and instructive lecture at the Falls
on the Northwest in order to give practical
information to a large number of friends and
acquaintances in the shortest time."

Mr. W.H. Hooper has no hesitation in saying
he saved a large field of wheat near Lake
Clementine from frost the other night. In the
night he set his men to work hauling manure
to the windward side, and setting it on fire,
thus creating a heavy smoke that kept the air
fully impregnated with smoke till daylight. Of
course more or less heat was conveyed to the
air by the smoke; but the philosophy of the
scheme is in keeping the air cloudy, the heat in
the ground acquired during the night, is pre-
vented from radiating during the night. To be ef-
fectual the density of the smoke must be propor-
tionate with the degree of freezing, and if the
necessary smoke is made we are confident it
will succeed. As frosty nights about the ripen-
ing season are necessarily infrequent, and the
experiment is not an expensive one, it will well
pay all farmers to give it a fair trial.

Although our lacrosse club brought home
neither brooms nor shields, they have no
cause to be ashamed of their playing at Win-
nipeg. They admit they were beaten fairly
by the goth on Saturday in 3 to 2, but they
cannot say the same for their match with the
Winnipeggs. They consider they beat the
latter fairly, but, of course, they could not
out play the umpire, and the fact they won
the two games credited to them in one and a
half and six minutes respectively, when it was
after lengthily playing the other three scores
were given to their rivals, is evidence of this.
It appears that in future, to actually decide
success, disinterested, honest umpires must be
selected, men who have nothing but their own
reputation at stake.

T. H. Clark, farmer about 12 miles west of
here, was, when in town, offered 62 cents per
bushel for his 2,500 bushels of wheat as it
came from the machine.

Mr. L. Arnett has just let the contract for
the erection of nine dwelling houses in the
city. This is the rate at which the city is
progressing from day to day.

Birtle Observer: "On Saturday last Mr.
W. Bisert, of Manitoba, was suddenly killed
by falling from a load of grain getting between
the wagon and the horses. One of the wheels
passing over his head."

Mr. J. H. Brownlee starts Monday for the
Narrows at head of Lake Manitoba where he
will have charge of a surveying and exploring
party. He will find plenty of scenery and
adventures for his requirements in that local-
ity.

Messrs. Trotter & Trotter announce that on
and after the first of Oct. they will positively
give no more credit at their feed stables. The
terms of credit are too small to look and too
large to lose. Tariff will be team feed 100
cts. single horse 25 cts., team feed 100
cts. single horse 15 cts.

Winnipeg is a great place for power. During
the last session of the House Martin and
Greenway in forcing the N. P. contract on
the country displayed about 20 horse wind
power, and now the Council talks of dammed
the Assiniboine, as Greenway and Co. have
dammed the country, at a cost of \$300,000 to
get 5,000 horse power in water fall.

The Rev. Mr. Lowry, the unfortunate man
referred to in our last issue as a lunatic from
Oak River, had been a regular clergyman of
the Episcopal church. It is very hard to ac-
count for his strange delirium. Although
the cause of religion occupies a great deal of
his mind, evidence as to his insanity was taken
before P.M. Told the other day, but nothing
of any public interest was elicited. He is said
to be a graduate of Trinity College, Dublin.
He was taken to the Selkirk asylum on
Friday. His is a very sad case.

Mrs. Hunter has her drawing school organi-
zed and gave the first lesson in the school
house on Monday evening. All desiring to
take lessons should see her at once. Mr.
Hunter made his second cartoon on the
Retraction question and exhibited it in the
post office on Friday. It was readily pur-
chased by Mr. Bennett and now adorns his
office. Mr. Hunter is doing another which
will be exhibited in a few days.

The Beaver mill's lumber company, of which
Mr. J. H. Hughes is the head, is receiving
large quantities of lumber from their mills
on Rainy River. They had 15 cars on track
last Tuesday, and judging from the bustle in
their yard, on both street, they are doing a
fair trade. The lumber is in fine shape, dry
as a bone. We were shown a large pile of
1 1/2 inch clear, that is a credit to any whole-
sale yard. Brandon is lucky in having such
a stock brought here as we understand the Co.
are supplying their full cut to this market.

The public will regret to hear of the death
of Mrs. D. Shaw, which sad event took place
at her residence on Tuesday morning of pneu-
monia phthisis. The deceased was a
noble, though weary and always a full of
energy as to be likely to overdo herself. Last
winter she caught a cold at an assembly in this
city and has never been well since. She was
a lady highly esteemed by all acquaintances
for her numerous admirable qualities, and her
decease while in the prime of life will there-
fore be a cause of the more widespread sorrow
and deep regret. It is needless to say that
Mr. Shaw and the rest of the relations of the
deceased have the unequalled sympathy of the
whole community in their sad affliction.

Some few weeks ago, about information goes,
a few named Wolff hired with another resi-
dent Jew named Berkman, in the account hand-
business, and about ten days since started
out on his own account. He got some \$18
worth of effects from Mrs. McComb, about
\$35 worth from C. Emerson representing they
were for Berkman, and about \$30 worth
from Berkman himself. He then hired a horse
from Mr. Douglas and started out peddling.
On Emerson taking his account to Berkman,
the latter repudiated the whole transaction.
Emerson then took out a writ for Wolff, and
after a search policeman Foster found the
bird back of Chater. In due course his case
was called in the police court, but no one ap-
peared to prosecute, Emerson having settled
it in the interval, getting back effects to satisfy
him, it lapsed. Mr. Douglas succeeded in
getting his horse tied up near the brewery,
and Wolff has not since been heard from.
There are several stories told about the matter
but this we believe is as near the truth as it
is possible to get. Some say Wolff bought the
goods on his own account, and could not be
prosecuted in any event, but the original in-
voices have never turned up to tell their own
story.

TO THE LADIES.

On Monday, Sept. 24th, we open Dress and
Mantle making in connection with our busi-
ness, under the supervision of Miss Kinney,
who cuts and fits by the new tailor system.
Perfection of fit guaranteed.

Your respectfully,
PAISLEY, MILLER & CARSCADEN.

MARKETS.

Our markets stand exactly as reported last
week. But about 150 bushels of new wheat
have so far been brought in, and that brought
80 cents. An enterprising red man brought
in 13 bushels and he got 80 cents, the same
as the others. Higher prices are quoted at
other markets, but it is by millers' whose
mills are standing idle for something to do.

The Opinion of an Insurance Man.
W.A. Doyle, manager and secretary of the
Manitoba Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co., Beulah,
Man., says:—My wife and myself have com-
menced the use of Nasal Balm and the benefit
and comfort derived from it warrants a con-
tinuance of its use.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Miss Patterson went to Winnipeg last
Friday, where she will reside in future.

—Mr. W.F. Irwin, wife and family, left for
Toronto last Friday for a month's holidays.

—Detective Foster went to Winnipeg on
Monday.

—Mr. Cunningham, of the D.L. office here has
gone to Minneapolis to take temporary charge
of the office there.

—Miss Peacock, daughter, of Mr. Peacock,
Rosedale, who had been visiting friends for
some time, returned to her home St. Paul last
week.

—Mr. G.J. Jackson, agent for the Singer Sewing
Machine, returned from a trip to the north
on Monday.

—Rev. Mr. Bell, of Minnesota, was in the
city this week.

—Mr. J. H. Bent leaves for St. Paul in a few
days, on a business trip. Miss Bent leaves for
Vancouver where she will remain for the winter.

—Capt. Woodworth arrived from the coast
this week.

—The following are the names of the
Brandon people who were down to see the
lacrosse matches: Mr. A. Kelly, A. McLean,
J. C. Robinson, W.E. Finnefelt, J. Hanbury,
L. Lang, S.D. Garside, W.H. Garside, T.
Obrien, J. Wilson, A.P. Hider, D. McKelvie,
J. Guyer, S. White, Mr. and Mrs. K.F. Edgar,
Mr. and Mrs. W.A. McDonald, Geo. Fraser,
H. Meredith, W.H. Browne, H.E. Henderson,
Mr. and Mrs. F.A. Timblin, D. McKillup,
G.D. Gibson, R.S. Clement, Miss Gibson, Miss
Fraser, W. Fish, D.C. McKinnon, T. Lockhart
and his A. Matleson.

THE IRON DEPOSITS.

Port Arthur Sentinel: Noticing by the
Northern register that Dr. Bell, of the
mining commission, had returned from his
trip to some of the western mineral regions,
a representative of the Sentinel enquired of
him regarding the result. Dr. Bell stated
that he and Mr. Donald McKellar left
Savanne last Tuesday, having a good canoe
and four Indians. They paddled through
Lac Des Mille Lacs and other lakes to
Pattungue lake where they examined the gold
deposits there. The veins are large and said
to be rich in quality. Dr. Bell has not yet
himself assayed any of the ore but those who
have pronounced it rich. The great feature of
the deposit was the large size of the veins,
from Partridge Lake they proceeded on to
the iron locations on the Antler River, a
distance of 75 miles west from Savanne and
30 miles south of the C.P.R. track. These
locations belong to the McKellar, Bink, and
others. Dr. Bell stated that there was a
great amount of ore in sight, the veins being
extraordinarily rich and the ore very pure.
There were three principal bands, all of
which were pure. A branch railway is now
projected for these locations, and Mr. Bell
says the building of it could easily be paid
for by the first year's operations. Fully
300,000 tons of ore could easily be mined the
first year, judging from the appearance of the
veins, and paying the railway \$1 per ton for
hauling it would pay for construction.
There is, said Mr. Bell, an unlimited market
for iron ore.

Dr. Bell and Mr. McKellar reached
Savanne again on Sunday evening, having
made the remarkably quick trip of 75 miles
and return, 150 miles in all, consuming all the
way, a little over five days.

Glenwood Council.

Council met Sept. 7th. All members
present except Reeve.

MOTIONS.

Kerr—Hall—That the clerk communicate
with our Solicitor re amount levied by municipal
Commissioner for interest and sinking
fund. Carried.

Hopkins—Wenman—That H. Donaldson's
taxes be received at par last week work which
is to be performed this year. Carried.

Sowden—Kerr—That By-law 112 be
amended in that the divisions be as follows:
Ward 1—All of Tp. 7, and east half of Tp.
8, R. 20, Ward 2—All of Tp. 8, R. 20, and
west half of Tp. 8, R. 20, and east third of
Tp. 8, R. 22; Ward 3—All of Tp. 7, R. 22,
and west two thirds of Tp. 8, R. 22; Ward
4—All Tp. 7, R. 21. Carried.

By-law No. 112 read third time, passed and
signed. By-law No. 113 fixing the levy for
1888 read, passed and signed.

Kerr—Hall—That the following accounts
be paid: T. H. Patner, \$59.15; J. Dal-
mage, Reg. Vital Statistics, \$4.50. Carried.

Sowden—Kerr—That the treasurer enquire
into Mr. Pare's tax account, and if found
correct to allow it and charge the same to
Savanne school district. Carried.

Council adjourned to meet on November
and.

How He Advertised.

A gentleman, living in a small city in the
West, had inherited consumption from his
father, and the doctor told him he must die.
He stopped taking their weakening physic and
tried Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.
In three months he was strong and well. The
gentleman's neighbors knew how sickly he
formerly was and asked him to state in public
how he had been cured. He advertised to
lecture on a certain evening, in the public hall,
and there was a large audience present. This
was his lecture: A picture of himself, before
and after, he tried the remedy, and five
empty bottles of Pierce's Golden Medical Dis-
covery. He said nothing, but convinced his
audience just the same.
It outwits all—Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy.

MAIL Bookstore Sells Cheap.

important, perilous and uncertain journey. It will not be the fault of the zealous men who conceived the idea and are endeavoring to give it practical support.

London, Sept. 14.—A dispatch from St. Paul de Louderi states that Major Parthelet was shot on July 19 by his Marzema.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 20, 1888.
THE HUDSON'S BAY R.R.

The good faith of Britain as exemplified by Messrs. T. Greenway and Co. is now being put to a practical test. Because they knew the subject was a popular one in the country, they, when in opposition, kept yelling "Hudson's Bay Railway!" until the Norquay Government put an Act on the Statute book committing the province to a guarantee of 4% on 4½ millions of dollars for 25 years, or \$180,000 a year for its construction, and now in office they are asked to put in force the Act they virtually formed.

Again at the session just before the elections they put \$35,000 in the estimates to complete the 40 miles already graded by the Norquay Government, to enable the Government to secure the land grant of 6,400 acres a mile from the Dominion authorities, the provincial bonds for which (\$256,000) the Norquay Government handed over to the contractors, unwisely, while in office; and Ross and Underbank propose to complete that work for the money voted.

Besides this again these contractors propose to build 60 more miles of the road to the Narrows, to make the 40 miles of some earthly use, on condition the Government hand over \$6,400 per mile in bonds as required in the railway Act. To all of these propositions Greenway and Co. appear to be as dumb as clams. Ross and Underbank are two of the most credible and solvent railway men in the country, and whatever they undertake to do they have the necessary arrangements made to enable them to do. Of late the Grit patriots are certain; but in dealing with the N. P. line people, from whom they have got what the public generally believe to be a huge slice of honey, they have so crippled the resources of the province, that they feel it is unable to do anything more in railway building. This is about how the thing will wind up. In the estimation, or at least according to the representations—for estimation and representation are two separate and distinct commodities with these gentlemen—of these heroes, when seeking office nothing was to save this country but the Hudson's Bay Railway, and now in office, everything else is trotted out as a saviour before it. Greenway and Co. did well for themselves in dissolving the House when they did, before the electors had much insight into their "ways that are dark and tricks that are vain."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Call says:—There is one clause in the agreement made by the local Government with the Oakes syndicate which has not attracted much attention, but which, when looked into, causes certain doubts to rise. It is in the following: "It is further agreed that in calculating the amount expended on the said line from Winnipeg to St. Paul and from Morris to Brandon the sum of \$500 per mile shall be allowed for costs of organizing, preparing and printing bonds and coupons and legal expenses in connection with such organization and preparation of bonds, etc." What does this "organizing" mean, and why is it necessary that it should involve an expenditure of \$500 per mile of road? The St. P., M. and M. did not deem it necessary to have such a clause in the contract which they asked the Government to consider. Then why should the N. P. R. R. Does it not smack something of a hostile nature, in which not alone the N. P. officials are to share?

Well, but there was no chance for Greenway and Martin to huddle in the St. P., M. and M. offer. Of course there can be no such expenditure made as \$500 a mile on the items specified, but Greenway and Martin could not have been expected to sit up in caucus till 6 o'clock in the morning in driving and bulldozing their following in the House, and forcing representatives to swallow their honest convictions for such an effect. Accuse of class stealing cannot be proven against Greenway and Martin, but it is certainly reason to expect that no two members of the Government would resort to the extraordinary stand they took at the caucus, threatening resignation for non compliance of their following, without a consideration of some kind. The natural course of ministers when uninfluenced is to be governed by the wishes of their followers, which would as certainly have been the case with Greenway and Martin if they had not flying fish in another direction. It will all come to the surface yet. It is well known that Martin was not worth a dollar before he got into parliament, and it is equally well known Greenway was not worth a dollar before he got into the ministry, and our word for it, when these gentlemen vacate office four years hence, if not before, they will have enough in gopher holes somewhere to keep them and theirs the rest of their days. They are both too patriotic to allow matters to terminate otherwise.

The Hon. Cypher Smith has gone east, it is said, to learn what he can about the management of asylums in the eastern provinces. It is a wonder the Government did not send some one who can learn, as Mr. Smith, like the "noted haytlen" has never been known to learn anything, and also never to forget anything. The exhibitions he made at the public meeting in the rink proved he learned nothing since he first entered the House, and the bitter feeling he retains for all who ever voted against him shows he never forgets anything either.

Our city Council is this year grappling with the merits of the practical economy of previous councils. It appears last year's council did not levy for within \$4,000 of the year's requirements, and as a legacy of upwards of \$6,000 hung over from the days of Mr. Smart's financing, there was an aggregate deficit of \$10,000 staring the people in the face this year for which a levy is being made. If taxes are high this year, then the people must blame previous year's councils, and not the administrators of the present year. To our mind, too, the assessment of personal property has been next thing to a farce because of the inequalities, the assessor in most cases having been prone to take the statement of the owners rather than an estimate of his own. In short, the inequalities must be readily apparent to any one who takes the trouble to look over the assessment roll. We are long since convinced of the unfairness of the assessment law of the province—that is exacting taxes from every man for the full value of all property—real and personal—in his possession, regardless altogether of what the nominal owner may use on the property, but at the same time the law should be properly observed while it is there. The true principle of assessment is to tax every man for what he is worth over his liabilities, and nothing more. This would properly adjust taxation on all parties. To do this, of course, Loan Companies and private individuals would have to pay taxes within the corporation in which they hold their loans on the amount of their mortgages, and the owners would simply be taxed for the balance of the values; and on personal effects liabilities would be deducted from stocks, and a levy on the surplus. However, as our law makes no provisions for these exceptions but exacts taxes on all visible effects according to value that law, if observed in this city, would put a very different face on our assessment. As the assessments have been made, the honest residents, who tell the truth, are only taxed the more for telling it. The rate this year will be 4½ mills for schools, and 1½ for general purposes, on an assessment of \$1,041,585, to raise \$27,874.11.

Brother Bailey, of the Rural City Vindicator, in justifying the Greenway Government for giving such a bonanza to the Northern Pacific R.R. Co. says, "The main business of the Government is and has been to break up once and forever railway monopoly in this province." Ah, indeed! It is not true then what Mr. Greenway told the electors after his return from Ottawa last spring, that he succeeded in breaking up monopoly; and it is not true as the Grit prints one and all used to tout after that return, that to Mr. Greenway alone the credit for breaking up the monopoly should be given.

It appears, too, the parliament of Canada in voting a line of 15 millions to the C.P.R., did it for nothing at all, as monopoly was not broken up until Greenway and Co. let the N. P. contract. Of course we learn as we grow older. Greenway himself used to say, when questioned as to the propriety of going on with the R.R.V.R. after the C.P.R. loan was carried in the House, that it was necessary to complete the link, to show the outside world monopoly was really broken; but Bailey goes one better than Greenway, and contends it was necessary to make the arrangements that have been made with the Northern Pacific and vote \$2,800,000 of provincial credit to do what Greenway said he did at Ottawa, and what Greenway said the people would be assured of if the R.R.V.R. were completed. But brother Bailey throws more light upon the benighted subject, he says that if the proposition of the St. Paul's people were accepted it could only "influence freights" at Virden, Deloraine, Cartwright and Brandon, and the Northern Pacific scheme will influence them at Plum Coulee, Morden, Thornhill, Darlingford, Manitou, La Riviere, Pilot Mound, Clear Water, &c. (naming the stations contiguous to the branches to be built). Success, Bro. Bailey, this is just the point we have always taken, an alleged competitive road even if a competitor can only influence freights at points convenient to it, so that the members in constituencies traversed by the M. and N.W. Road who supported the Government sank the country up to its eyes for a railway scheme that can be of no earthly value to their constituencies, and Campbell, of Souris River, Dickson and McLean, actually voted against a proposition that was going to give competition to their own constituencies and for one to sink the province for a scheme that can only "influence freights" at points remote from their own people. This is a candid admission, and now for an honest answer to an honest question. In what shape will the province be financially when it guarantees interest on \$6,400 a mile on the extensions of the Northern Pacific to influence freights in parts of the province that will remain "uninfluenced" after the present projections are completed—say through Souris River and Dennis counties and all the country 20 to 25 miles north of the C.P.R.? That is the question to which we would like a plain, candid reply.

France is organising a bureau to compel all intending newspaper men to pass an examination before engaging in the profession. It would be a real god-send if something of the kind were done in Manitoba, as then, with the blacksmiths and adventurers fit for nothing else kept out, there would be a decent living remaining for competent journalists.

The local Sun comes to the defence of Mr. Clifford Sifton because of his absence when the vote on the Bill to cancel the court muzzling Act came up in the House, and such an apology! The organ acknowledges the only two features of the case that we could ask it to acknowledge, firstly, that Mr. Sifton had in the late campaign "expressed opinions" in opposition to the Act, and secondly, that he was not in the house when Gillies' Bill came up for a division. Here is the acknowledgment that Mr. Sifton shirked responsibility—now for the excuse. The print says: "Messrs. Sifton and Campbell left the House sometime before the Railway Bill was finished, and their absence when the Bill for the relief of the Call came up was purely accidental."

On the night in question the order paper following the Northern Pacific contract Bill, was rushed through after hours, and contrary to the arrangement which had been made previously, which was that no further business would be taken up after the railway Bill was reported. Then Mr. Sifton belongs to a party that takes delight in deceiving one another, even in matters affecting the welfare of the country, because the controlling faction told him no business would be proceeded with after the railway Bill was reported, and then actually contrary to that arrangement, proceeded with Gillies' Bill, upon which the vote of Mr. Sifton was required in order to set himself right before his constituents. Then what is to be thought of such a controlling faction that breaks faith with its following, and what is to be thought of Mr. Sifton for not having a better appreciation of the honor of that faction. In any event it shows the desire of one faction of the Grit party to sacrifice the honor of the other, and the absence of Mr. Sifton when that sacrifice was being made shows the desire of both factions was to sacrifice the responsibility of one another and the honor of the country. As the case stands Mr. Sifton stands guilty of securing Conservative votes in North Brandon through what he well knows to be species of deceit representing he possessed a fairness towards both political parties which his organ declares the deception of his own friends did not allow him to exercise. This is how the Sun places Mr. Sifton before the electors of North Brandon, and if he is satisfied with the spectacle, we can have no more fault to find. It proves, once for all, however, that scratch off the outside cuticle of the most Liberal Reformer seeking for political place, and underneath you are always sure to find the most rabid Grit. The question is if Mr. Sifton and the Sun cannot place confidence in the solemn representations of the dominant section of the Grit party, what right have they to ask the public to place reliance in any one of its constituent elements.

Reform, we are told, is economical in Manitoba, and for that reason Mr. E. Evans had to be dismissed from the county court clerkship, to admit the office being fused with that of the prothonotary. The same thing was done at the Postage, where a Grit and a Conservative held the offices respectively, as is the case here; and in each case the Conservative incumbent was fired and the Grit retained. That is not a bad showing for a "Provincial Rights" Government. We believe that no man yet ever offered the first word of complaint against the way in which Mr. Evans discharged his duties. Everything was always systematic, and prompt returns made of all collections, but still there was the question of "Economy." It appears, however, to suit an emergency and make room for a friend, who we believe was a few years ago a Conservative, the office of caretaker of the Court House, which was effectually closed the past year, had to be re-opened and this friend provided for. Bad and extravagant as the Norquay Government was, it could dispense with the services of a caretaker for the Court House, but economical Greenway and Co., who dismissed Mr. Evans on the ground of economy had to re-open the caretaker for the convenience of Mr. Blight. The Conservative electors who voted for Messrs. Smart, Sifton and Co. will please take a note of these things.

The Postage correspondent of the Free Press says:

The rumor that the M. & N. W. Ry. is about to pass into the hands of the C. P. R. is believed by some and disbelieved by others. This thing of reported selling out has been going on for the last three or four years, and it is not a case of "going," yet, though said to be "going," going. We trust that there is no truth in the report, as it will be detrimental to the interests of our town, which started the old Postage and Northeastern Railway, and the burden of which loans we feel to this day, and will for many a day to come. Moreover, a corporation which has not enough funds to extend its southwestern branches even 50 miles, should not have enough wealth to buy out such a well equipped railway as the M. & N. W. Ry. is now.

True, O king! The Postage is in trouble lest the M. & N. W. people should sell out to the C. P. R. because the Postage bonded it heavily and feels the burden to this day, and in the face of this venture the opinion that some correspondent justifies Martin and Co. for making an agreement with the Northern Pacific that will hamper the whole province for 25 years, and which does not prevent the N. P. from selling out to the C. P. R., though a third party, or any one else they see fit. It is all wrong when a railway corporation deceives a town, but it is all right when Greenway and Martin swindle a whole province, through their incapacity or something worse.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"The Winnipeg correspondent of the St. Paul Pioneer Press, in alluding to the rejection by the Manitoba Government of the proposals made by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railway company, says:

"An offer that is made public after the Government has committed its caucus, and after the first tenders have been opened, as it were, cannot hope for a warm reception, especially when there is a deep-rooted suspicion that the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba is Mr. Van Horne in disguise."

"We commend, for particular reason, this very sensible expression of opinion to the careful consideration of the Free Press."

Exactly; that is just the kind of reasoning that pleases hucksters of the Winnipeg Sun at the moment, because it assists in helping Greenway and Martin out of the hole. But has the Sun forgotten how Greenway, Martin and all other hucksters of its own faith roundly censured the Federal Government in 1880 and even since, for not considering the proposition of the new company organized to build the C. P. R., and that only made its offer when the Stephen Syndicate's terms were virtually accepted, not only by the Government, but also by the Parliament, and even in the face of the telegram from Mr. Ross, the leading spirit in it, saying his name had been used without his knowledge or his consent. In the case of the St. P., M. & G. M. proposition, it is well known that all parties to it were genuine, while it was equally well known the Ross proposition in 1880 was fraudulent; and when the Greenway-Martin-San gang blame the Ottawa Government for not entertaining what the public knew to be a fraudulent offer, how much more blameable are they themselves now for not considering a genuine offer from solvent parties. When, however, can you get a genuine Grit to come down to sensible conclusions?

The Winnipeg Sun publishes the result of an interview its reporter had with Ald. Riley, of that city, in which the latter gentleman deprecates the very idea of giving a cent to the Hudson's Bay Railway. Any gift of any amount, he says, will be the last straw to break the camel's back. Exactly; now that Greenway and Martin have got through the scheme that pays them best, financially, the remaining interests of the province must suffer for ever. This is what Gritism has done for Manitoba, and it is nothing but what might have been expected when the electors placed adventurers like Greenway and Martin in a position where they were likely to be grieved.

After all the fuss and feathers, the Hon. E. Dewdney was elected for East Assiniboua by acclamation, on Thursday last. This shows the good sense of the electors of that constituency, as they have everything to gain by Mr. Dewdney's representation.

A SENSELESS POLICY.

Having been so precipitate in entering into the N. P. agreement, the Government will now excuse itself from aiding the construction of other railways on the ground that the limit of railway aid has been nearly reached.

If the Government has assumed obligations that make it necessary to incur no more, certainly it should be very careful about giving further aid to railway branches. But it has assumed obligations that could have been avoided, and has devoted the public money to unnecessary projects, and thus destroyed its ability to aid branch lines which are extremely necessary, it cannot be too strongly condemned.

Of the courses which lay open to select from, the Government certainly chose the very worst. Under the Northern Pacific contract the province may or may not be required to pay the interest on all the bonds. All is uncertainty. Whether in the end it will have to pay the interest, or not, it must provide against it as a contingency by setting apart a large portion of its annual income for that purpose. Had the St. P., M. & G. M. contract, under which the province would have received a rental almost covering its liability for interest on its expenditure, been accepted, the Government would have had remaining just so much more revenue to devote to the assistance of other branch lines.

That was one flagrant error. Another lay in giving the aid to a section of country lying between Morris and Brandon and doubly served by railways, and refusing it to a section—the Souris country—which is suffering most grievously for lack of railway facilities of any kind. Had the St. P., M. & G. M. contract been accepted, the Souris country would have been provided for, while the western end of the Province would have two railways where it now has none, and at much less expense than the construction of the branch from Morris to Brandon will necessitate. The St. P., M. & G. M. agree to do without the \$500 per mile given to the N. P. for "organization" purposes, and to take \$5,000 per mile of guaranteed bonds instead of \$6,400 per mile the amount of the guarantee to the C. P. R.

Common sense should have taught the Government what was the proper course to choose. As it is, it has, seemingly, not only crippled itself to such an extent that the Souris district can look for no assistance at its hands, but the cases of other portions of the Province are equally hopeless. If, owing to the Government's rashness and folly, or worse, branches to the Souris cannot be aided, branches to the southwestern and northwestern quarters of the Province can hope for no assistance. So far as Government aid is concerned, the people of Valerius, Laverdierre, Carleton and Manchester, a great portion of the Province, nearly all of it well settled, must do without any railway facilities except where the C. P. R. touches its western border. The settlers in nearly all of Western and Beautiful Plains, in part of

Manitoba, all through Riding Mountains and the magnificent country in the Lake Dauphin district, and nearly all through Russell, must suffer the same fate. Gimli, Lisgar, Plessis and Fairford constituting, as they do, the northeast quarter of the Province, can fare no better.

And yet it was quite possible, had the proper course been pursued, to so husband the Provincial revenues as to be able to assist branches to reach all these districts, or at least, to relieve them most materially. Had the St. P., M. & G. M. proposals been accepted, the west and southwest would have been amply served. The rentals from the St. P., M. & G. M. system as promised in the proposition, would have covered the interest on the cost of construction, and left the Government in a position to aid a road through the southeastern quarters of the Province. The immense saving which could easily have been effected, together with the remainder of the rentals, would have gone a long way towards paying the interest on the bonds of short branches into the northwest and northeast quarters of the Province as well. But the Government has seen fit to choose the other course.—Free Press.

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